

# TOWN OF HERNDON

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### **TOWN OF HERNDON APPOINTS DEPUTY DIRECTOR, COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT**

Herndon, VA (January 7, 2008) – The Town of Herndon has named Wade F. Burkholder as deputy director of Community Development, a position in which he serves as the Town's zoning administrator and senior planner.

In his new post, Burkholder is responsible for planning, scheduling and conducting major current planning projects, as well as the administration of the zoning, site plan and subdivision process. Working with the director of Community Development he makes policy recommendations to the Town Council, boards and commissions; supervises the current planning and zoning section of the Community Development department; and collects, reviews and analyzes data as it relates to the Town's zoning and planning procedures.

Previously, Burkholder had served as senior planner, zoning division for the Town of Leesburg, where he had oversight responsibility for rezoning and special exception applications, coordinated the site plan review and drafted zoning ordinance amendments. Prior to Leesburg, he held positions of increasing responsibility in community development throughout the state of Oklahoma.

“Wade's experience, insights and capabilities will prove tremendously beneficial as the Community Development department strives to accomplish the ambitious agenda outlined by

the Mayor and Town Council in the 2027 Vision,” said Elizabeth M. Gilleran, director, Community Development and the official to whom Burkholder reports.

Burkholder holds a bachelor of arts degree in geography from Bowling Green State University and a masters of regional and city planning from the University of Oklahoma. He is currently pursuing a masters degree in environmental studies from the University of Illinois.

The Town of Herndon was incorporated by the General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Virginia on January 14, 1879. Located in western Fairfax County, Herndon is the 3<sup>rd</sup> largest town in the Commonwealth and is home to more than 23,000 citizens. Businesses located within the Town of Herndon, which range from high tech enterprises to entrepreneurially-owned establishments, employ approximately 23,500 people. *Business Week* Magazine has named Herndon one of the nation’s “Best Affordable Suburbs.”

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